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Dear Sir,

Please get this case settled as quickly as possible. In case you haven't noticed, the current economic downturn started about the time that court decision against Microsoft was handed down. There is nothing "the Market" abhors more than uncertainty. Next on that list is the prospect of hard work being punished. This is why the market goes down when the "economic news" is good. It is afraid of what the Federal Reserve will do. The same is true of the Tax Code and Ecology Regulations causing otherwise willing people to not engage in certain activities. The threat of Legal Plundering is in this list of economic stiflers. Ask any smoker about that. Many businesses go out of their way and threaten legal action to prevent their products from having any contact with aviation because of Fear of Lawyers. A similar cloud fell over the high tech industry starting in mid-2000 and that had a lot to do with Microsoft litigation.

Yours Truly,
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